Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

October 2012

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.2 percent between September 2012 and October 2012 while the Canada All-items Index also advanced 0.2 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index rose 0.3 percent and 0.2 percent, respectively, during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the October All-items Index increased from September 2012 primarily due to higher prices for property taxes, gasoline and purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles. Prices also rose for footwear, furniture, bakery products and clothing accessories, watches and jewellery.

Moderating these increases were lower prices for traveller accommodations, non-alcoholic beverages and dairy products. Prices also fell for processed meat, coffee and tea, cereal products (excluding infant food) and other food preparations.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 1.5 percent between October 2011 and October 2012 while the Canada All-items Index increased 1.2 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 1.6 percent and 1.3 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The October All-items Index increased from October 2011 primarily due to higher prices for gasoline, passenger vehicle insurance premiums and passenger vehicle parts, maintenance and repairs. Prices also rose for rent, cablevision and satellite services (including pay per view television), homeowners' maintenance and repairs and tuition fees.

These increases were partially offset by lower prices for purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, women's clothing and natural gas. Lower prices were also observed for home entertainment equipment, parts and services, recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles), prescribed medicines and non-alcoholic beverages.

For more details, contact the Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics at (306) 787-6327 or visit www.stats.gov.sk.ca

ALL-ITEMS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SASKATCHEWAN AND CANADA

	Index		Percent Change	
	Oct. 2012	Sept. 2012	Sept. 2012 to Oct. 2012	Oct. 2011 to Oct. 2012
	(2002 = 100)			
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	124.8	124.5	0.2	1.5
Food	130.6	131.5	-0.7	1.0
Shelter	147.7	147.0	0.5	1.9
Household Operations and Furnishings	108.6	108.1	0.5	2.4
Clothing and Footwear	97.6	95.9	1.8	-1.0
Transportation	120.0	119.3	0.6	1.7
Health and Personal Care	116.2	116.5	-0.3	2.0
Recreation, Education and Reading	107.6	107.9	-0.3	0.7
Tobacco and Alcohol	143.5	143.8	-0.2	-0.3
All-Items Excluding Energy	122.5	122.3	0.2	1.3
Energy	146.3	145.4	0.6	2.4
CANADA				
All-Items	122.2	122.0	0.2	1.2
Food	130.5	130.3	0.2	2.0
Shelter	127.6	127.2	0.3	0.9
Household Operations and Furnishings	113.5	113.2	0.3	1.4
Clothing and Footwear	94.7	93.3	1.5	-1.5
Transportation	128.6	128.3	0.2	1.7
Health and Personal Care	118.5	118.5	0.0	0.9
Recreation, Education and Reading	106.6	107.7	-1.0	0.6
Tobacco and Alcohol	137.8	137.7	0.1	1.5
All-Items Excluding Energy	119.2	118.9	0.3	1.1
Energy	159.5	160.6	-0.7	1.7
REGINA				
All-Items	125.6	125.2	0.3	1.6
SASKATOON				
All-Items	125.2	124.9	0.2	1.3

Note: These indices measure the percent change in consumer prices within each geographic area. The indices do not compare price levels between Saskatchewan, Canada, Regina or Saskatoon.

Source: Statistics Canada, *Consumer Price Index Survey*
Prepared by Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Finance

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADA AND PROVINCES

	Percent Change	
	Sept. 2012 to Oct. 2012	Oct. 2011 to Oct. 2012
Canada	0.2	1.2
Newfoundland	0.2	2.2
Prince Edward Island	0.2	2.1
Nova Scotia	-0.1	1.4
New Brunswick	-0.2	1.4
Quebec	0.3	1.9
Ontario	0.2	1.0
Manitoba	0.2	1.7
Saskatchewan	0.2	1.5
Alberta	0.2	0.6
British Columbia	-0.1	0.5
Whitehorse	0.2	2.1
Yellowknife	0.4	1.5
Iqaluit	-0.6	0.8

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PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES

	Percent Change	
	Sept. 2012 to Oct. 2012	Oct. 2011 to Oct. 2012
St. John's	0.2	2.0
Charlottetown-Summerside	0.2	1.9
Halifax	-0.1	1.2
Saint John	-0.2	1.3
Quebec City	0.2	2.0
Montreal	0.3	1.8
Ottawa	0.2	0.8
Toronto	0.2	1.0
Thunder Bay	0.4	0.4
Winnipeg	0.2	1.6
Regina	0.3	1.6
Saskatoon	0.2	1.3
Edmonton	0.3	0.7
Calgary	0.0	0.5
Vancouver	0.0	0.7
Victoria	0.0	0.3
Whitehorse	0.2	2.1
Yellowknife	0.4	1.5
Iqaluit	-0.6	0.8

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